Postal service in rural areas in Uttar Pradesh

†2016. PROF. RAM BAKHSH SINGH VARMA:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any special scheme to provide proper postal services in the distant rural areas in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) The Department of Posts has not formulated any special scheme for distant areas of State of Uttar Pradesh for providing postal services. However, as a part of Annual Plan activity, the Department has laid down certain targets for providing postal services in rural areas, the details of which are given in (b) below.

(b) A target, of opening of 3 Sub Post Offices and 40 branch Post Offices in the normal areas of the State and 2 branch Post Offices in Tribal areas in Uttar Pradesh, has been fixed for 1999-2000. This target is subject to the availability of necessary resources for the purpose.

(c) In view of (b) above, no reply is called for.

Maintenance of Bironkhal Block Telephone Exchange

2017. MISS FRIDA TOPNO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a small telephone exchange established in Syunshi of Bironkhal Block of Pauri Garhwal is not properly working for the last one year;

(b) whether it is also a fact that instead of a technical staff a non-technical staff is looking after the maintenance of the exchange resulting in many technical problems in the exchange; and

(c) if the reply to para (a) and (b) be in affirmative, the reasons therefor and the action taken/being taken by Government in this regard?

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